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Hauptverwaltung 18 (HV 18) of the Ministry of Machine Construction.

1. HV 18 of the Ministry of Machine Construction (MMK) was the organization overall development stations and future production plants of the East German aircraft industry. The HV, located at Sonnenstein Castle in Pirna was controlled by **Henry Henrion**. A future Ministry of Aviation was to be established on the basis of HV 18. Dipl Ing **Brunolf Baade** was not **considered** for the position of Minister of Aviation, because he did not have the necessary background and the qualifications. No definite information was obtained on Baade's activities. It was merely learned that he had a superior position. The liaison office between HV 18 and MMK was located in Berlin. Kuenzel (fnu) who was chief of this office visited Pirna two days every week.
2. HV 18 included the following department in charge of the overall organization and probably also of administrative functions in their pertinent fields:
 - a. Airframes; chief: Dipl Ing Erich Wolf.
 - b. Power units; chief: Dipl Ing Pohl (fnu). Since Pohl would probably not return from his leave to West Germany, a replacement was required.
 - c. Instrument developments; chief: Dipl Ing Georg Dabois.
 - d. "Labor"; chief: Bolt (fnu).
3. The main departments (HA) subordinate to HV 18 included:
 - a. HA Power Unit Developments in Pirna; chief: Dr Ing Scheinost (fnu).
 - b. HA Air Frame Development in Pirna; chief: Dipl Ing **Fritz Freytag**.
 - c. HA Laboratories in Pirna; chief: Dipl Ing **Heinz Eitner**.
 - d. HA Wind Tunnels in Pirna; chief: Dipl Ing **Kuno Strauss**.

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- e. HA Workshop in Pirna; chief: Kreuzberg (fnu).¹
- f. HA Engine Mass Production at the IFA Plant in Chemnitz; chief: no information available.
- g. HA Airframe Mass Production to be located either in Schkeuditz or in the Dresden area.
- h. HA Construction Office under the control of Dipl. Ing F. Freundel was included in the planning with 400 designers.
- i. HA Prototype Construction in Dresden-Klotzsche; chief: not yet assigned.

HA Techniques was unknown.

Organizational Setup of the HA Airframe Development in Pirna.

4. The HA Airframe Developments under the control of Dipl Ing F. Freytag included the following four departments:
 - a. Scientific and Testing Department under the control of Dr Ing Hackhaus with the sections:
 Aero Dynamics : Dipl Ing Walter Lehmann and Heins Kormmueller
 Flutter Tests : Dipl Ing Theodor Schmidt
 - b. Drafting Department under the control of Dipl Ing. H. Wocke with
 Ing Martin Schrecker
 Ing Alfred Losch
 Dipl Ing Rudolf Rentel
 - c. Department of Statics and Stability under the control of Dipl Ing W. Guenther with the sections:
 Statics : Ing Herbert Grolle
 Theoretical Statics : Hillenbrandt (fnu)
 Stability : Erwin von Hilbert
 - d. Designing Department under the control of Dipl Ing Haseloff (fnu)
 Wings : Franz Strobl
 Fuselages : Scheller
 Landing Gears : Ing Karl Reues
 Hydraulics: Ing Jacob Antoni
 Tail Units: Ing Hartmann
 Controls : Ing Josef Freckmann
 Cabins : Stiller (fnu)
 Electric Units : Otto Nagel
 Ejector Seats: Ing Loy (fnu)
5. Projects handled by the HA Airframe Developments included:
 - a. Designing and development for mass production of the P-152.
 - b. Work on Soviet construction records of a twin-engine conventional Ilyushin type aircraft.

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